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Applicants: Gupta et al.
Serial No: 10/090,446
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Title: PROCESS AND AN APPARATUS FOR PREPARATION OF
PETROLEUM HYDROCARBON SOLVENT WITH IMPROVED COLOR
STABILITY FROM NITROGEN RICH CRUDE OIL
Examiner: T. Nguyen
Art Unit: 1764
Docket No.: 3030.006USU

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 6, 2003, for the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 38 are now pending in this application. The Office Action has stated that a restriction is required.

A requirement of restriction has been made with respect to claims 1 to 38. Group I, claims 1 to 26 were said to be drawn to a process for preparing Mineral Turpentine Oil, classified in class 208, subclass 299. Group II, claims 27 to 38, were said to be drawn to